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Red Meat Production in Pennsylvania Down 1 Percent in June

HARRISBURG, PA, July 22, 2011 --- Commercial red meat production, dressed weight basis, in **Pennsylvania** during June 2011 totaled 104.5 million pounds, down 1 percent from June 2010, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Beef production, at 95.4 million pounds live weight, was down 2 percent from June 2010. Total head slaughtered was 82,000, up 2,600 head. Live weight averaged 1,177 pounds, down 61 pounds from last year. Veal production was 4.3 million pounds live weight, up 7 percent from last year. Calf slaughter of 10,100 head was up 700 head from last year. Average live weight decreased 4 pounds to 427 pounds per head.

Pork production was 59.6 million pounds live weight, down 3 percent from last year. Total head slaughtered was 234,600, down 6,700 head from June 2010. Average live weight decreased 1 pound per head from last year to 254 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production during June 2011 was 320,000 pounds live weight, down 6 percent. The number slaughtered was 3,300 head, down 200 head from last year. Average live weight decreased 1 pound per head to 96 pounds.

Nationally, commercial red meat production, dressed weight basis, in June 2011 was a record for June of 4.22 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the 4.18 billion pounds produced in June 2010. Compared with a year earlier beef production, dressed weight basis, at 2.37 billion pounds, was 2 percent above the previous year. Veal production totaled 11.2 million pounds, 4 percent above June a year ago.

Pork production totaled 1.82 billion pounds, down 1 percent from the previous year. Lamb and mutton production, at 12.6 million pounds, was down 11 percent from June 2010.

January-June 2011 red meat production was 24.2 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 2010. Accumulated beef production was up 1 percent from last year, veal was down 2 percent, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 8 percent.

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